

## FINE GAME OF BASKET BALL

The Y. M. C. A. Team of Richmond  
Defeats the Norfolk Boys.

RETURN GAME TO BE PLAYED HERE.

Something About the Game and How It is  
Played.—It Does a Great Deal Towards  
Developing the Physique.—No Brutal  
or Dangerous Features.

Though a comparatively new game, basketball is growing more and more popular, and the interest in the game has reached a high point. The Young Men's Christian Association team, of this city, won laurels in Norfolk Friday night when they defeated the ball-throwers of the Association in that city by a score of 15 to 13. The Richmond players returned to the city yesterday, and were heartily congratulated by the members of the Association for the excellent game they played. Captain Crawford, of the Richmond team, is no less to be commended for the victory than the several members of the team, who played with much judgment and unity.

Following are the names composing the Richmond team: W. E. Crawford, captain; right forward, A. S. Crawford; left



CAPTAIN W. E. CRAWFORD  
(Richmond Y. M. C. A. Basketball Team)  
forward, W. C. Michaels; center, W. E. Crawford; right guard, B. M. Shepherd; left guard, O. W. Gregory; substitutes, L. G. Burruss, R. B. Forest.

There will be a return game played between the same teams at the Reginald Army, Thursday evening, April 16th, at 8 o'clock.

That basketball is gaining much in favor can be seen by the number of teams organized in this city of late. Among the more prominent teams are those of the Richmond College, the Reginald Army, and the Young Men's Christian Association.

An effort will soon be made to form a league among the teams of the city, whose object will be to furnish legitimate sport, healthful exercise, and to popularize one of the best all-around games known.

HOW THE GAME IS PLAYED.  
Basketball may be played on any grounds or gymnasium floor cleared of apparatus, though any building of this nature will suit.

Baskets consisting of hammock-nets of cord are suspended from metal rings, one at each end and ten feet above the ground, and the floor is ready for the game. Teams for match-games consist of five men, unless otherwise mutually agreed upon.

The ball is put in play as follows: The teams line up in their respective positions and the referee throws the ball up in the middle of the floor. This is done at the beginning of the game, at the beginning of the second half, and after each goal.

The time of actual play is twenty minutes. Each side defends one of the goals, while endeavoring to put the ball in that of their opponents, by passing it and trying to throw it into the goal.

The ball may be thrown in any direction with the open hand, but cannot be struck with the fists or kicked. Any player has the right to set the ball at any time while it is in the field of play, provided he handles only the ball and not the opponent.

A goal is made when the ball is thrown or batted from the ground by any of the players into the basket. The score is counted by points. A goal counts 2 points; a foul, 1 point for the opponent.

The majority of points decide the game. Basketball is one of the best games known, and is very interesting, and may be played by men of any size. It is peculiarly adapted for giving health without involving a severe mental strain. It has survived the various tests that have been applied to it, which instead of killing have developed it.

GOOD PHYSICAL CULTURE.  
Team play is one of the strongest points in the game, consisting of perfect play between the members of the team.

Basketball is not a game intended merely for amusement, but is the attempted solution of a problem which has been pressing on physical educators.

Most of the games which are played out of doors are unsuitable for indoors, and consequently fail to give the exercise to the heart and lungs which is so desirable.

It is true that some players have been accustomed to keep up a desultory kind of training, but it lacks the all-around development that is so requisite, and very frequently fails to give the exercise to the heart and lungs which is so desirable.

The game exercises the man generally; every part of his body gets a share of attention; his legs are used to sustain his body, and his arms are exercised in handling an object which is a normal function. In the bendings and twistings of the trunk and limbs, the vital organs receive such exercise as will make them healthy and strong. It cultivates in man the different energies of which he is capable. Agility is one of the prime requisites in a game, when the ball must be secured before an opponent can reach it, and when obtained he must be baffled in his attempts to take it away. This also gives grace as a perfection of action.

REQUIRES JUDGMENT.  
Judgment is required and cultivated in handling the ball, receiving it from one of one's own side, and eluding an opponent. This requires that a man should be completely controlled by his own play is likely to count for nothing.

A wrong pass may give the opponent a decided advantage and an instant's hesitation is sufficient to lose the best opportunity that might be offered. It develops that mainly courage, which is so essential in every true gentleman.

Basketball has none of the reputed roughness of football. Kicking at the ball and striking at it with the fists are prohibited. All running with the ball was done away with, because when a man runs with the ball, tackling is necessary to stop him, and it is at this point that the roughness of football is most severely felt. It is a game which can be played without roughness.

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The lodge also made a liberal donation to assist the Ladies' Auxiliary Association of the Masonic Home of Virginia in erecting a monument to Captain Babcock to mark his last resting-place in Hollywood Cemetery.

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Richmond: A. G. Collins, special commissioner, to Maria, wife of Henry Robinson, 25 feet on east side Thirtieth street between Fifth and M. \$150.

J. W. Jackson to Sheridan Jackson, 20 feet on north side Leigh street, near Harrison, \$100.

Patrick McCarthy to Thomas McCarthy, two houses and lots on north side Cary street, between Sixth and Seventh, and 25 feet on east side Twenty-first street between Main and Franklin, \$1.

Lucy H. Miller's trustee to Lucy A. Graham, 25 feet on north side Main street near Madison, \$2,800.

J. R. Sheppard to W. R. Minor, 151-1/2 feet on west side St. Paul street near Federal, \$500.

Same to W. A. Kyles, 171-1/2 feet on same near same \$500.

Same to same, 17-1/2 feet on same near same, \$500.

St. Phillips P. E. Church.  
After the regular Friday evening services at St. Philip P. E. church, the members, in a body assembled, proceeded to elect a church vestry according to the rules laid down in the canon. Rev. J. Wesley Johnson, rector, presided.

The following-named persons were put in nomination and elected: Messrs. S. H. Shackerford, Cornelius Robinson, Ed Ellis Jr., William Ferguson, Jr., Charles W. Campbell, Captain Aaron Foster, M. R. Wallace, Richard Chiles, Randolph Roper, and Joseph Scott.

Dr. Small to Preach.  
Professor Alton W. Small, head of the zoological department of Chicago University, who is now lecturing at Richmond College, will preach at the Second Baptist church tonight, and doubtless the edifice will be filled to hear the eminent scholar, who was president of Colby University before he was called to Chicago University. The subject of Dr. Small's discourse will be "Freedom in Religion."

In the United States Court  
John R. Waldman was found guilty in the United States District Court yesterday on twelve indictments, for perjury fraud. Edward Gould, charged with sending improper matter through the mails, and Nelson Winston, charged with violating the internal revenue laws, were also found guilty.

In the case of Henry Hoffman, charged with passing counterfeit money, a verdict of not guilty was found in accordance with the court's instructions.

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## CORNER

### Broad and Fifth Streets.

## MODEL ONE-PRICE HOUSE.

Spring shopping cannot be delayed any longer. Don't think because Easter is past that our selection is broken. No. Our stock is just as fresh and clean as it was three weeks ago. Why? Daily arrivals in every department replace, and excell in many instances. Nevertheless, it cannot continue. There must be a stop. Come, inspect, and invest before the stoppage. Supply yourself while the selection is perfect. Help to swell

## The Mighty Avalanche of Spring Goods That Will Rush From Here This Week.

and rejoice with the multitude. Don't be misled by false economy—that is, buying any goods other than standard qualities. The economy which "saves at the spigot and wastes at the bung" is an old saying, and is much worse than no attempt at economy. Buy the very your pocket-book affords, and be sure to buy at the closest figures. We buy the best of everything; we sell on such a close margin that defies competition, and causes many to wonder. We have the confidence of the shopping public, but we did not gain it in a day. It took years to gain this reputation. Below is a list of the few of the many

## STARTLING DISCLOSURES FOR THIS WEEK!

### Sweeping Reduction in Silks.

We have determined to clear out all short lengths of every description in our Silk Department, and to this end have marked everything in less quantity than a dress pattern to half value. Among this lot there is nothing that sold less than 75c., and most of them at 50c. These Silks are new, bright, and stylish—nothing old style or shop worn. They go this week at 58c.

Black Satin, chiffon and jet trimming. Any queen should feel proud when arrayed in this .....\$12.50.

This week we will inaugurate a Special Sale of Black Satin Duchesse,

now so popular for skirts, and as the stock is too large to enumerate the prices, will simply invite you to examine them and satisfy yourself of the truth of the assertion that this is the cleanest and best special offerings of Silks ever known in Richmond.

We have the reputation of having the best equipped Silk Department in the city, and are determined to keep the quality up and the prices down.

Lace Section.  
Not a woman in town who does not need some Laces. All that she is waiting for is some one to tempt her and she will buy. Our stock is the largest shown, promising more variety, more newness, and more cheapness. How are these for tempters?

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Latest styles and widths in Black Silk Laces.....\$1.00.  
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100 dozen Boys' Wide-Rib Hose, Fast Black, good, heavy School Hose, say, as sells for 10c., we sell at.....\$10.  
Children's Extra Heavy Bicycle Hose, wide and narrow rib, the regular 10c. grade .....\$10.  
Ladies' Hose, Fast Black, seamless, in plain and drop-stitch, same as you pay 10 and 12-1/2c. for, we sell at.....\$10.  
25c. Ladies' Hose, double sole, Hermendorf dye, high-spliced .....\$10.  
Ladies' Plain and Drop-Stitch, Light Hose, high-spliced heel and toe.....\$10.

Dress Goods Again.  
We never were in a position to serve your every want as now. This is the stock fairly sparkles with spring freshness. The piece you like is here. Come in and select it from the new lots. How are these prices for smallness?

Heavy Blue All-Wool Storm Serges, full 56 inches wide, same as you pay \$2.50 for, we sell at.....\$2.50.  
5 pieces French Serge, all wool, 56 inches wide, true value 60c., our price.....\$1.50.  
Only two pieces 44 inch Storm Serge, all wool, same quality as sold by others at 60c.; our price.....\$1.50.  
12 pieces of Silk and Wool Dress Patterns, prices ranging from \$12 to \$15, in the most stylish and desirable spring shades, we sell at.....\$1.50.  
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### Household Furnishings.

Our whole basement full of them, and a basement full of people buying them, too. Every manufacturing city in the world has assisted us in presenting these many useful articles. We get the new things as soon as on the market. You don't need a pocket full of money to supply your household. Your interest is ours, and we are here to please you in every way. Be on hand early Monday and have first selection from this basement full of bargains. When we say bargains we mean exactly what we say—that they are goods that no one else will sell for same price. We will lose money, though, but what is that to you? The advantage is yours—grasp it.

Fancy, Gold-Stippled, Embossed, and Decorated Plates, others sell at 25c.; we sell at.....\$10.  
Beautiful Gold-Trimmed Fish-Plates, worth 15c.; our price.....\$10.  
We will sell 8-inch Dinner Plates, in new blue and green decorations, at the small price of.....\$10.  
Just received another lot of these Pretty Salt and Pepper